## **List of Key Drivers and Constraints**

At its May 3, 2001 meeting, the Advisory Committee generated the following list of key drivers and constraints for *Update 2003* to consider in planning for the future, shown below in alphabetical order.

- 1. Climate & Climate Change (e.g., average/maximum-daily temperature, rainfall, global warming/climate change trends; effects on supplies and uses)
- 2. Commercial, Industrial and Institutional Use (including energy generation)
- 3. **Economics** (e.g., real price of water [including impacts of energy costs], price elasticity, subsidies and price supports, rate structure, national and world crop market trends, international trade agreements, cost of water management options; diversification of local economies)
- 4. **Environmental Factors** (e.g., land restoration, soil salinity and subsoil drainage, reallocation of environmental water to/from urban/ag for drought relief, and hydropower generation)
- 5. **Infrastructure Constraints** (statewide storage, extraction and conveyance capabilities for both surface and groundwater)
- 6. **Land Use** (e.g., urbanization, crop mix, crop land retirement, conservation easements, other land ownership trends, conversion to habitat, watershed management, drainage)
- 7. Long Term Groundwater Quantity and Quality
- 8. **Other Planning Processes** (CALFED, other State & federal efforts, increased role of local planning processes)
- 9. **Population** (e.g., rate of growth, location, density, demographics [including major shifts in age structure & ethnicity] and median income)
- 10. **Public Education and Acceptance** (e.g., acceptance of reclaimed/recycled water; acceptance of tax and other policies)
- 11. **Public Policies** (tax policies and infrastructure investments, political shifts and bond issues; local regulations, especially groundwater; bi-national opportunities [U.S. and Mexico.])
- 12. **Regulatory Factors** (e.g., adjudications, water rights, Endangered Species Act listings, flood control impacts, recreational requirements, other federal and State laws and agreements [e.g., COA])
- 13. **Technology** (new industries have new water needs; genetically modified crops may have impact water uses)
- 14. Water Quality (including Delta standards and drinking water standards)
- 15. Water Use Efficiency (e.g., quantification, technologies, economics, irrigation techniques. State and federal standards/requirements)